NEW YORK HERALD WIDERSTAY, SEPTEMBER S, 1803-TRIPLE SHEET

THE COAL MINE HORROR.

The Shaft Cleared and Air Pumped Into the Mine.

Several Descents Made Without Results.

Hope Abandoned of Any Lives Being Saved.

Great Excitement in the Mining District.

Arrival of an Engine and Fan-Air Being Pumped into the Shaft-Meeting of Miners-Descent of Miners Down the Shaft-Narroy scape of Two from Death by Suffocation-Carbonic Acid Gas and Black Damp Prevent Explorations-All Hope Abandoned of Any Lives Being Saved.

BORANTON, Pa., Sept. 7, 1869

Republican have been received from Avondale:e o'Crook A. M .- The train with the donker angine and fan has just arrived. They will be hauled on the hill to the mouth of the shaft at once, and all haste made to put them in place and get ready for

8 O'CLOCK A. M .- The engine is nearly ready and preparations are going on rapidly. A rope has met been stretched around the shaft and a large olice force has been deputized and is under charge of Chief Daniel Brown, of Plymouth, assisted by Levi Carvickaner, constable for Plymouth township The ground has been cleared of all not actually engaged in busy preparation. The hill side, rising abruntly back of the shaft, is crowded with women and children, and men from other localities.

9 O'CLOCK A. M .- The most experienced men all agree that every person in the mine has perished. Preparations are hastily being made to force air down the snaft. A descent will be made within an hour. All mining experts feel sure that every man

A meeting of miners has just been convened in the woods near by, James George acting as president. He stated in a spirited speech the object of the gathering to be to organize a force of fifty experienced men from among the representatives of the several districts present to hold themselves in adiness to volunteer to descend the shaft, He stated that seventeen miners were there from Hyde Park, and called for nominations from other locali-

as J. Phillips, Superintendent of the Jersey Mines, waited upon the meeting to say that when the preparations were ready the carpenters, machinists and others would give place to the miners, who would co-operate with the officers of the company in exploring the mine.

9:15 O'CLOCK A. M .- The engine and fan have just started, and every pulse is quickened at the busy

9:30 O'CLOCK A. M .- Men are pouring in from all quarters in great numbers. Mr. J. C. Wells has just rived, with 300 miners, from coalville, 9:40 O'CLOCK A. M .- The fan was worked only

few minutes on trial, when it was stopped to conneot the canvas air conductor, which will reach the bottom of the shaft. 237 feet. All is nearly ready; the miners are close at hand and a roll

10:05 O'CLOCK A. M .- The fan has just been Forty-six miners have been enrolled under the superintendence of James George, of Plymouth, and Henry W. Evans, of Pittston George Morgan, of the Nanticok Mines, is appointed foreman on the part of the mines, and Thomas E. Davis, of Nanticok, and John H. Powell, of Terior. of operations after the descent is made.

10:20 O'CLOCK A. M .- Thomas Corwin, Superin tendent of the Hampton Mines, and John P. Davis carpenter at Avondale, are making the first descent of the spart. They proceed only 100 feet and lower thre lamps, which burn freely. The obstructions prevent the lamps from reaching the bottom within

10:45 O'CLOCK A. M .- Carson and Davis remain i their position reconnoitering the shaft. The lamps still burn and the fan continues to force down air. The Rev. Thomas P. Hunt appeared on the ground. and after a few remarks proposed the following gentlemen as a committee to solicit aid for the families of the sufferers:-E. C. Wadhams, James McAlarney, J. Fuller, Reynolds G. Evans, Dr. Richards, Jacob Roberts, J. W. Eno. H. J. Taple, Harry Hakes, Samuel Shaffer, B. J. Woodward, R. N. E. Woodward, Robert Boston, J. G. Wren, Nathan Van Horn, F. Thorner, H. Turner, H. H. Harvey, Richard Stillwell and John B. Smith. Several small books, previously prepared, were handed to all the committeemen present, and the canvass of the immense multitude here is progressing.

11 O'CLOCK A. M .- The two men have ascended and the miners' committee are getting ready to go down. They will take axes, saws, &c., to clear the passage.

The crowd has become so great as to interfer with the relief operation, and the free passenger trains are necessarily suspended.

11:16 O'CLOCK, A. M .- George T. Morgan, of Nanticote: John Howell, of Taylorville; Thomas Davis, of Belleville, and Thomas E. Davis, of Nanticoke, a committee of miners, begin to descend the shart. They proceed slowly and with care.

11:35 O'CLOCK A. M .- They now ascend to the month of the shaft. They report that after leaving the platform on which they went down they proceeded about thirty feet into the gangway, and, finding a great deal of carbonic acid gas and black damp, retreated, after conveying the end of the large canvas air conveyer as far into the lode as they went. The damp was between two and three feet deep on the bottom of the mine.

11:55 O'CLOCK A. M .- Rees Evans, Thomas Carson, Charles Jones and Isaac Thomas, another miners' committee, now begin to descend the shaft.

12:30 O'CLOCK P. M .- The second party of men returned safely, as had the first. They penetrated the gangway for a distance of seventy-five feet and found the large door wide open. They then went a hundred feet further in one of the passages, and found a small door closed. After opening this door to give a circulation of air around to the e trance they returned. Had this small door been open there might have been a shade of hope, as the gas and smoke and fire would have had a free passage

around the circuit and out again. As it is, the fear and suffocated all the men. The main doorway leading to the mine has not yet been reached.

12:45 O'CLOCK P. M .- The third set of men, four in number, went down and came back in fifteen minutes, two of them so overcome with the effect of the gas that they are being restored with difficulty. The gas is coming out of the outer minvery fast since the passage way was opened.

1 O'CLOCK P. M .- The two men are not yet re vived. Drs. Throop and Everbart, of Scranton, and Wilson, of Plymouth, are in attendance. The wildest excitement prevails, and the mass of people are kept back with great difficulty.

1:30 O'CLOCK P. M .- The two miners are saved at ast. It seems lule to peril life by any further attempt to go down as long as the gas is so strong. No attempt can of course be made to reach the main door or to penetrate the mine until the outer gangway is cleared of gas. It is uncertain how long this will take. There is really no ground to hope that a single life remains of those who were at work in the mine. Everybody gives them up, and nothing prob ably remains to be done but to recover the bodies What horror and suffering yesterday witnessed be neat this spot, and whether it was of long or short dution none will probably ever know.

The Air Becoming Purer-Two More De scents Made-The Fire in the Purnace

SCHANTON, Sept. 7, 1869. At a quarter past three o'clock this afternoon fou men descended, returned in good condition and reported the air much purer.

At half-past six o'clock this evening four mer John Tindale Colonel Harkness John Selteres and R. E. B. Jones, went down. After letting down the water hose to the bend of the air pipe and over the furnace, to put water on and deaden the fire in the furnace, they returned in fifteen minutes, saving that the water hose was landed in the shaft and that they could not find the hole by which they expected to enter. They were not seriously affected

At ten minutes past seven o'clock this evening another relay of four men-F. Bray. Evan Mornis. Evan J. Evans and William Gregory-went down. They returned in about twenty minutes, reporting that they had been at the furnace and found every thing all right except the fire in the furnace, which was still burning. They could not arrange the water hose until it was holsted up a little. They were not seriously affected by the foul air.

Great Excitement in Scranton-Work Sus pended in the Mines Near the Town-Thousands Gone to the Scene of the Calamity-Heart-rending Scene Among the Relative of the Men Buried at Avondale.

SCRANTON, Pa., Sept. 7, 1869. The unparalleled mining disaster is the universal subject of inquiry, thought and feeling. While the whole community is thrilled to the centre with horror, the mining population, as might be expected, is more deeply and painfully touched than any other class. All work is suspended in the mines in this vicinity, and nearly the whole force of miners, in their mining suits, have gone to Avondale to remain until their brethren are brought out dead or alive. A special train is run down from here hourly. No fare is charged those going to Avondale. Thousands have gone from this direction sione, and the whole country is aroused and flocking to the scene of

In the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth, or Byde Pari wards of this city the streets are thronged with women, the relatives and friends of the men in the Avondale pit, eagerly beseeching every person arriving from below for information, and their weeping fills the air. Mining cannot be resumed at an of the works of the Delaware, Lackswanns and West ern Railroad Company probably within a week, or at least until all the funerals of the Avondale dead

The fact of the long and severe strike just ended calamity. The widows and orphans will number not less than six hundred.

NEWSPAPER ACCOUNTS.

The Fearful Disaster at the Avondale Mine-Two Hundred Men Locked Up in the Bowels of the Earth-Not One Supposed to be Alive-Heartrending Scenes About the Pit.
(Despatches to the Philadelphia Evening Telegraph.)

The latest intelligence from the awful fire in the holds out but very slight hopes for the safety of the up in the earth since yesterday morning The escape of gas and choke damp damp precludes the possibility of any further attempt at exploration being made. Until the steam fan, which is now being set up, is finished nothing can be done to aid those in the mine or ascertain it any one is living. It is feared (but no one dare ex press it) that not a human being is now alive within safety or death are advanced. It is asserted by some that the aimost instant sufficiation of Williams and Jones, who went down seventy feet last night, pronounces beyond a doubt the awful doom of those ho are hundreds of feet below and cut off from al

Others assert that if the doors leading to the principal avenues and chambers were shut the choke and fire damp could not reach them and no gaseous matter would be generated when entirely cut of from the fire. Old and practical miners shake their heads, evidently afraid to venture a prediction what the investigation will bring to light. There is now no fire in the main entrance or shaft.

All possible haste is being made in getting the steam fan into position. It will be ready about three o'clock this afternoon, pernaps sooner. Thou sands of people are flocking here. The scene of af fliction among the wives and children, fathers and ers, sisters and brothers of those below is heart rending in the extreme. They have waited and for the deliverance of those most dear to them an desolate their households. Operations in neighbo ing mines have ceased, and a gloom pervades the whole community. The Steam Fan at Work-A Descent Impos-

sible Yet. WILKESBARRE, Sept. 7-Noon.

A despatch just received here states that the steam fan is now in operation forcing pure air into the shaft, but the air is still so foul that no descent can be made at present. A tunnel is being rapidly excavated from abandoned drift to intersect with the shaft in which

the men are entomped, but they will not be able to get through before five o'clock this afternoon. In the meantime the anxiety increases, and the acene about the mines is harrowing in the extreme. There is barely any hope of any of the men being

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rescued alive.

Surgeon Denby is detached from the Jamestown and Passed Assistant Surgeon White from the Ashuelot and both placed on waiting orders. Ensign Strong is ordered to the Navy Yard at New York.

THE NATIONAL GAME

After much anxiety on the part of Westchesterites in general, and of the Union Club in particular, the base ball park at Tremont has been completed, and was yesterday opened with a game between the the Unions and the Orientals of this city. The grounds were in good condition, but were rather dead, so that the fielders were obliged to work pretty lively in order to make a good show. There was a very fair attendance of spectators, the ladies, as usual, being well represented, and much interest in the game was evinced by all. The Unions were short-handed, while the Orientals were present in full force and in good trim for play. The contest was close and exciting throughout, as the Orientals were slightly in the rear at the send-off, but worked steadily up, and gaining a lead on their opponents held it to the end, as the following score will show:

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To-day the Eckfords will play the Actives, of Wappinger Palls, at the Union grounds.

To-morrow the reporters will play the Athletics, heavy weights, at the Capitoline.

To-day the Mutuals and Athletics play at Philadelphia.

MUSICAL AND THEATRICAL NOTES.

Miss Bateman, the popular American tragedienne, rrived yesterday from Europe per steamer Russia. the opens at Booth's on the 20th inst. The Kiraify sensational dancers are kicking up

their heels in the Quaker City.

The Clodoche troupe of grotesque dancers and the symnastic Gregories have joined forces and are at

present performing in Indianapolis.

The reorganized Richings English opera troupe opened in Philadelphia on Monday evening with 'Paust' and met with an unequivocal success

Among the passengers per steamship Virginia, which arrived from Liverpool last night, is Miss Rose Hersee, prima donna of the Parepa-Rosa troupe.

Moriacchi is now the rage in Boston. The journals of the Hub are in ecstasies over her dancing, she and her short-skirted ballerines having made a

decided hit.

The revolution in Spain does not seem to have done much harm to the Spanish theatres. During the past year 948 operas. 2,596 comedica and 4,953 dramas were performed in 335 theatres of the Penin-

The festivel in honor of Rossini commences at Pesaro on the 21st inst., when Cherabini's Mass in D minor will be executed in the church of San Francisco. The 22d and 23d will be devoted to the "Stabat Mater" at the Teatro Civico, and the 25th to a

bat Mater" at the Teatro Civico, and the 25th to a general concert.

Up to the present time Gottschalk has given five concerts in kio Janetro, all of which have been attended by the royal family. At the last concert, after the great plauist had just rattled off his famous Tarentelia, he was crowned with a Breath of gold and laurel by Arthur Napoleon, the Portuguese planist, in presence of the whole audience.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Florence have arranged to perform at Maguire's Opera House. San Francisco, commencing on Monday, October 4. As this will be the first appearance of these popular artists in California it is more than probable that they will be accorded a hearty welcome to the Golden State. They are to receive for their services \$2,000 per week in gold.

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The New York Typographical Society propose to tender Mr. T. C. Paulkner, the secretary of the organization, a grand dramatic testimonial at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, some night at the latter end of the present month. Mr. Faulkner himself will take part in the performance, appearing as Colonel Hardy in "Paul Fry" and George Beauvoir in the "Printer's Apprentice."

The Bryants having about completed their summer travelling season will reopen their establishment in Fourteenth street on Monday, September 13. In addition to their old company they have secured the services of several new singers and dancers, among them Joseph Brandell, tenor; William Dwyer, tenor, and James G. Russell, bartione. Unsworth and Eugene and Dave Reed also rejoin the troope.

The ballet master of the Rouen theatre is training a snake to take part in the choregraphic displays which he directs. The interesting young female, however, whose name is Jems, has formed an alliance which, for the moment, has had the effect of interrupting her studies in art. She has been laying a score of eggs, from which it is hoped that a fine school of gancers may be reared. What a prospecti Serpents and girs internugiting on the stage as in the garden of Eden 1 The Training tour at the Walnut Street theatre, Philadelphia, on Monday evening, where she appeared in a new domestic drama entitled "Reaping the Tempest." She was supported by Mr. J. C. McCullom.

It will scarcely be credited that the first theatre of the capital of Italy is not yet lighted with gas; out the fact remains. The Pergola, at Florence, is in this respect half a century behind the time. We hear of projected repairs and improvements for the theatre, but whether gas is even now to be introduced does not appear.

London, or rather Sydenbam, is about to take a lesson irom Boston in the matter of a monster festival. On the 8th of September a great musical jubilee takes place at the C

in England to imitate the Yangees. It is believed in England that 4,000 or 5,000 voices are about the limit of vocal force concentrable in one direction, and that to add more is to increase the coup d'acti perchance, but not the effect. limit of vocal force concentrable in one direction, and that to add more is to increase the coup d'actiperchance, but not the effect.

"The Western and Southern Theatrical Circuit," comprising the Olympic theatre, St. Louis; the new Memphis theatre, and the Academy of Music, New Orieans, under the management of Messrs. Spaiding, Bidwell & MacDonough, promises this season to be a very formidable aftair. From a reliable source we learn that it is the intention of these gentlemen to have two excellent regular dramatic companies, who will be employed in constantly changing between St. Louis, Memphis and New Orieans. A brilliant galaxy of dramatic "stars," all of the "first magnitude" order, have been engaged to shed their histrionic effuigence during the season at each of the above named theatres. Such shining lights of the stage as Jefferson, Mrs. D. r. Bowers, Lucille Western, Miss Marriott, Kate Reignolds, Leffingwell, Dominick Murray and Miss Susan Gaiton will follow each other in rapid succession, besides which there will be pantomime and ballet to fill up the interstices, with various other organizations of assured excellence, which will, in conjunction with the dramatic attractions, afford a constant change in the onaracter of the entertainment at each house every two weeks. While two of the theatres are occupied with "stars," the third will be in the hands of either opers, pantomime or ballet. During the summer recess the new Memphis theatre has been entirely remodelled and elaborately reflitted up and otherwise put in a state of completeness, which gives it rank as a first class theatre with its older consorts, the olympic in St. Louis and the Academy in New Orleans, both of which during the past season have undergone extensive alterations and improvements. The season will be inangurased in St. Louis on or about the 13th inst. with one of Boucleanit's strongest sepasations, and the scenic artists at each of the heatres have been at work for weeks upon new and attractive noveties. The enterprise of Messrs.

FOREIGN SCIENTIFIC NOTES. The archeological researches in that part of the Palatin hill which belongs to the Pope have been suspended by order of Baron Visconti until November, on account of the great summer heats. The principal results of the winter and spring excavations have been the discovery of a grand staircase, crusted with marble, descending to the Palestrate of the Palestra hall itself, with its granite columns reversed, out the marble bases still in their places—a hall of baths, a fountain, ornamented with mosaice; several fragments of statuettes and architectural ornaments, landscapes, executed in colored marbles, secret staircases, water conduits, fresco paintings, &c. Signor Zanzolini, who directs the excavations, under the superintendence of Baron Visconti, with much zeal and judgment, has followed the example of the Chevalier Rosa in establishing a local museum, wherein to store the numerous objects of interest, of small dimensions, gradually brought to light. Among these are several mutitated statues, one of a sitting Venus; stamped bricks of various dates and innumerable specimens of marble, of which the most remarkable is a very rare block of rose-colored cipolino.

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His Holiness has presented to the French Cardinal de Ronald a sufficient quantity of ancient marbles, excavated at the Emporium, on the Tiber bank, for the reconstruction of the high sitar of the Cathedra: at Lyons. The Pope has also given orders for the erection of an elegant pedestal and pyramid on the Tyberine island, in place of a granite column, which, after occupying for many centuries the centre of the Piazza di San Bartolomeo, was recently reversed by the pondrous wheel of a buffalo dray. Before each face of the pyramid will be the statue of a saint, connected by tradition with this ancient part of Rome.

The French Scientific Association is preparing an expedition to observe the shooting stars in November, from various points near the coast of the Mediterranean. The principal stations are expected to be Marseilles, Nice, Perpignan and Narbonne. A meeting of the society will be held in the first namedity about the 18th of that month to consider the results.

DEATH OF SECRETARY RAWLINS.

The Body Laid in State in the War Department.

Preparations for the Funeral on Thursday.

HONORS TO THE DECEASED SOLDIER.

A Purse of Fifty Thousand Dollars to be Raised in This City for His Family.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1869. The body of Secretary Rawlins was removed to the War Department this morning and lies in state in General Sherman's room, attended by military guards. All the departments, including the Execu-tive Mansion, are draped in mourning, and the in-terior of the War Department is festioned with black and the national dags intertwined with crape. Public business is entirely suspended in the War De-partment and its several bureaus. The national flags over all the departments and elsewhere through-

out the city are at half mast.

When the body of the late Secretary Rawline was removed to the War Department this morning Gene-ral Sherman and Adjutant General Townsend were present, and under their direction a guard was sta-tioned at each end of the catafalque and also at the

is of iron, highly polished and varnished, lined with white satin and quilted tasteroily. On the sides are eight heavy silver handles and each screw head is covered by a silver rose, while on the top is placed a solid silver shield ordered cially for this case, on which are engrave number of stars and oak leaves, with th inscription: "General John A. Rawlins, Secretary of War. Born February 13, 1831; died September 6, 869." The case is of a very handsome design, the

lid fitting into a groove containing cement. It is

perfectly airtight. Over the face is a large oval

THE CASE ENCLOSING THE REMAINS

heavy plate glass, through which a full view of the About noon to-day the wife of General Hunter, aced by the General and General Michler, arranged a collection of flowers on the casket. A row over the face, while below a beautiful cross was ar the catalalque there was an arrangement of flowers FRIENDS TAKING A LAST LOOK AT THE DECEASED.

During the day a large number of persons visited the War Department to take a last look at the fea tures of the deceased, included among whom were the members of the Cabinet, army and navy officers and many civilians and ladies of note. General Rawlins' brother, Mr. Smith, his brother-in-law, and ten o'clock to-night. The remains will lie in state until the time of the funeral and the War Depart ment kept open to afford the public an opportunity

to see them.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE FUNERAL. The President was at his office in the Executive with Secretaries Fish, Cox. Robeson and Acting Secretary Richardson in relation to arrangements for the funeral of the late Secretary of War. The President was suffering from an attack of neuralgia The following order was issued from the State De-partment this afternoon, designating the hour for the funeral, the names of the pail bearers and other

DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1899.;
The remains of Hon. John A. Rawlins, late Secretary of War, will be interred with military honors under the directions of the General of the Army, on Thursday, the 9th instant, at ten o'clock A. M. The following persons will officiate as pall bearers off the goession:

Brevet Major General Edward D. Townsend, Adjutant General,
Brevet Major General Randolph B. Marcy, Inspector General.

Brevet Major General Joseph Holt Joyn

tor General.

Brevet Major General Joseph Holt, Judge Advocate General.

Brevet Major General Montgomery C. Meiggs, Quartermaster General.

Brevet Major General Amos B. Eaton, Commissary General.

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Brevet Major General Alexander B. Dyer, Chief of Brevet Brigadler General Albert J. Myer, Chief

Signal Officer.

Brevet Major General O. O. Howard.

Brevet Major General John E. Smith. of Equipment and Clothing.

Brigadier General Jacob Zellen, Marine corps.

Brigadier General Giles A. Smith, Second Assi

Brigadier General Glies A. Smith, Second Assistant Postmaster General.

Sayles J. Bowen, Mayor of Washington.
On the day of the funeral the customary number of guns will be fired from all the arsenais, forts and navy yards in the United States, and from the military and naval academies. Flags will be kept at half-mast, the custom houses and all public work shops closed during the day.

The General of the Army and heads of the severa executive departments will issue the orders necessary for carrying these directions into effect.

By order of the President.

HAMILTON FISH, Secretary of State.

The fineral escort will be under command Brevet Major General W. F. Barry, commanding at Fortress Monroe, and will consist of two compar of artillery from that post, two companies from Fort McHenry, a battalion of United States marines, Company R, Fifth cavalry, and Battery F, Fifth ar

navy and Marine corps attached to the Navy Yard and stations to assemble at the Navy Department in full dress (blue pantaloons and caps), for general duty, to unite in paying the last tribute of respect to Major General John A. Rawlins. Secretary Robe son has also ordered General Zeillin to detail the battalion of marines at headquarters here, as a part of the funeral escort.

CLOSING OF THE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT. The following is a copy of the letter from the Secretary of State transmitted to all excepting the War Department:-

War Department:—

DEPARTMENT OF STATE, Sept. 9, 1869.

It is my meiancholy duty to inform you that Hon.
John A. Rawlins. Secretary of War, departed this
ifte at twelve initutes past four o'clock yesterday
afternoon. In consequence of this afflicting event
the President directs that the executive departments
of the government be careful to manifest every
observance of honor which custom has established
as appropriate to the memory of one so eminent as
a public functionary and so distinguished as a citizen.
In accordance with the above the several Secreta.

In accordance with the above the several Secreti ries have addressed letters to the heads of the bu reaus under them suspending business to-morrow and on Toursday until after the obsequies shall hav een concluded.

The Secretary of State has also issued the following circular to the heads of departments:-

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DEFARTMENT OF STATE, |
WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1869.

SIR—I have the honor to inform you that the President directs me to communicate to you his order that in honor of the memory of Hou. John A. Rawlins, late Secretary of War, who died yesterday, at weive minutes past four o'clock P. M., the Executive Departments shall be draped in mourning for a period of tuirty days, and that they be closed from the morning of the sth instant until after the obseques of the deceased shall have been solemnized.

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I have the honor to be, sir, your obedient servant, HAMILTON FISH. Under this order the following have been issued:-

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 186e.
As a mark of respect to the memory of the late
Hon. John A. Rawlins, late Secretary of War, this
Department will be draped in mourning for a period
of thirty days, and whit be closed from the morning
of the 5th inst. until after the obsequies of the deceased Secretary shall have been solemnized.
The custem houses will be closed, the public
works under the control of this Department suspended and the flags kept at haff-mast during Thursday, the 9th inst., the day on which the obsequies of
the deceased will be solemnized.

WM. A. RICHARDSON, Acting Secretary.

NAWY DEPARTMENT, Sept. 7, 1869. As a mark of respect to the memory of the late Hon. John A. Rawlins, late Secretary of War, this Department will be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, and will be closed from the morning of the sith inst. until after the obsequies of the decased Secretary shall have been solemized.

The custem bouses will be closed, the public works under the control of this Department suspended and the flags kept at half-mast during Thursday, the 9th inst., the day on which the obsequies of the deceased will be solemnized.

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NATY DEPARTMENT, Sept. 7, 1869.

As a mark of respect to the memory of Hon. John

A. Rawlins, late Secretary of Was, this department will be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days, and will be closed from the morning of the 8th instant until after the obseques of the deceased Secretary shall have been solembized.

G. M. ROBESON, Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1869.

It is my painful duty to announce to the officers and employes of the department the melancholy intelligence of the death of Hon. John A. Rawlins, Secretary of War. He departed this life yesterday, at twelve minutes past four o'clock P. M., after a brief but severe tilness, which he bore with fortitude and Christian resignation. As a mark of respect to the memory of this distinguished public servant this department will, pursuant to orders of the President, be draped in mourning for a period of thirty days and be closed from the morning of the shi histant until after the obsequies of the deceased shall have been solemnized.

J. D. COX, Secretary of the Interior. Under the above orders the War and other de-

Under the above orders the War and other de-partment buildings, including the Executive Man-sion and the Capitol, have been draped in mourning, with the flags at half mast,

The following order was issued this evening:-

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GENERAL ORDERS—NO. 66.

HEADQUARTERS OF THE ARMY, ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1889.

The General announces to the Army the death of General John A. Rawlins, Secretary of War, on Monday. September 6, 1869, at twelve minutes after four P. M. The career of General Rawlins has been so brilliant and so closely connected with that of the Prosident of the United States that it is familiar to all, and it is an honor to the profession to connect his name with that army for whose welfare he labored so hard and with 80 much enthusiasm. He will be interred with military honors from the War Department on Thursday next, at ten A. M. During the day of the funeral all the military posts and arsenals where this order may be received in time by mail or telegraph half-hour guns will be fired from sunrise to sunset and the flags be displayed at half mast. The office of the War Department will be closed for public business till Friday movining and be draped in mourning, which will remain for thirty days. All officers of the army will wear the usual badge of mourning attached to the sword hit and on the left arm for three months. By command of GENERAL SHERMAN.

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HEADQUARTEES OF THE ARMY,
ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
WASHINGTON, Sept. 1, 1869.

The general of the army having been charged with
the official arrangements for the funeral solemntites
of the late General John A. Rawlins, Secretary of
War, announces the following order of procession:—
Funeral escort in column of march, battainon of foot
artillery, battailon of marlines, squadron of cavalry,
battery of light artillery, Brevet Major General Barry,
commander of escort and starf; such volunteer
corps under arms as may join in the procession;
officers of the militia and volunteers in uniform;
officers of the militia and volunteers in uniform;
officers of the militia and volunteers in uniform;
officers of the amine corps, navy and army, in the
order named, in uniform, with side arms; the General of the Aimy and staff; the officiating clergy,
the Surgeon General of the Army and physicians to
the deceased, the pall-beafers, Brevet Brigadler
General A. J. Myer, Brevet Major General
E. D. Townsend, Brevet Major General
A. A. Humphreys, Commodore Melancton
Smith, Brevet Major General A. B. Dyer, Brevet
Major General A. B. Eaton, Brevet Major General
M. C. Meigs, General Giles A. Smith, the hearse, Brevet
Major General J. K. Barnes, Brevet Major General
Joseph Holt and the Mayor of Washington, the
family and personal friends of the deceased, the
President of the United States, the Cabinet Ministers, the diplomatic corps, the Chief Justice and
Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of the
United States and its officers; Senators and officers
of the Senate; members of the House or Representatives and its officers; the United States Marshal for
the District of Columbia, with the members of the
bar and officers of the Curts of the District of Columbia, with the members of the
bar and officers of the Supreme Court of the
United States and its officers; see Uni

omcers in unions to the sword.

Brevet Major General William F. Barry, Colonel Second United States artiflery, is charged with the arrangements of the day.

By command of General SHERMAN.

E. D. TOWNSEND, Adjutant General.

MRS. RAWLINS TO ATTEND THE PUNERAL.

that Mrs. Rawlins, the widow of the defuneral on Thursday next. The infant born several weeks since died soon after its birth, but the sad intelligence was kept from the General, so that even up to the time of his death e though his infant child still lived. INCIDENTS OF THE ILLNESS OF GENERAL RAWLINS

It was the anticipated accouchment of his wife that induced General Rawlins to visit Danbury, Conn. He made the visit alone and against the latter found that the General was determined he resolved to accompany him, but to this the General would not accede. The excitement and anxiety at soon as he sufficiently railled the General started for Washington. At New York he had a relapse, and instead of remaining in that city until thoroughly recovered he selected a very hot and dusty day to complete his journey to the nationa Capital. Arriving in this city he was again attacked but his indomitable will and strength of constitu-tion enabled him once more to recover strength.

lins, greatly to the surprise of the President and the Cabinet Ministers, was present. The work of his department was fully up. With a remarkable buoyancy of spirit he spoke as if not realizing his true physical condition. On Wednesday noon he met the President and consummated all the business of his department, with a view to the President's departure on Wednesday evening. The same afternoon General Rawlins returned to his residence, and, seating himself on the sofa, very severe hemorrhage. From this time he gradu ally sank till his death. Mrs. Crawford, mother-in law of General Rawlins, arrived here to-day.

It is a little circumstance worth note that General Rawlins spent his last days and expired in Grant place, a new street but recently opened in Wash

The death of General Rawlins leaves only on member of Grant's original staff alive—namely General William S. Hillyer, of New York. Hillyer is now here to attend the funeral of his old comrade. EXECUTORS OF THE WILL OF GENERAL RAWLINS. President Grant and Mrs. Rawlins were selected

General Rawlins as the executors of his will. General Rawlins was not possessed of much property, and his will is therefore a short one. It will not be admitted to probate till after the return of the President from his trip North. RESOLUTIONS OF THE PENNSTLVANIA REPUBLICAN

ASSOCIATION A meeting of the Pennsylvania Republican Asso clation was held here to-night to take action on the death of General Rawlins. General Ekin, deputy

whereas death, which ever loves a shining mark, has removed from the high sphere of his usefulness our distinguished Secretary of War, General Enwinns; and whereas by his virtues as a Christian, by his ability as a statesman, by his bravery as a soldier, and by his devotion as a patriot the eminent deceased had endeared himself to the whole country, and especially to those among whom he lived; and whereas the death of such a man is rightfully regarded as a great public calamity, upon which the sentiments of the people may be fully expressed; Therefore,

Resolved, by the Pennsylvania Republican Association, of Washington, D. C., that we have heard with protound sorrow of the death of John A. Rawlins, Secretary of War, a gentleman without reproach, a soldier without blemish, and a patriot without self-shness.

interests, and the wirth friend and well wisher of his comrade in arms, her patriotic Governor. THE DISPOSITION OF THE REMAINS OF SECRETARY RAWLINS—THE PERLING IN ILLINOIS.

from Governor Palmer, of Illinois, in reply to one sent last evening by General John E. Smith

sent last evening by General John E. Smith:—

I was absent from the city when your despatch announcing the death of General Rawlins was received. The people of the State of Illinois will always cherish a grateful recollection of the important public services of General Rawlins, and would be gratified by the selection of some place in the State for his bereaved family, and eager to offer such honors to his memory as are now possible, we suggest that his remains be deposited at oak Ridge, near this city, and thereafter under the care of the State.

The following were received at half-past twelve.

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o'clock to-day:

SPRINGFIELD, III., Sept. 7, 1869.

General JOHN E. SMITH:

If my suggestion of burying General Rawlins at this place shall be accepted I will send a committee to Washington at once to receive his remains.

JOHN M. PALMER.

These telegrams were shown to the President who directed General Smith to answer them as fol

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1869.

Hon. John M. Palmer, Springfield, Ill.:—
Your telegrams of this day were submitted to the President, who directs me to say that it has been decided to bury General Rawlins in the Congressional Burying Ground, whence he can be removed. If desirable, hereafter. With this view his body has been embalimed.

JOHN E. SMITH.

A despatch was received from the parents of General Rawlins to-day, requesting that his body be sent to Galena, ill., for burial. A reply similar to that sent Governor Palmer was transmitted

EXPRESSIONS OF SORROW IN VIRGINIA.

Last night a telegram was received by General pressive of the universal sorrow with which the announcement of the death of General Rawlins was received in Richmond. Governor Walker, accom-panied by prominent Virginians, will reach Washington in time to participate in the funeral cereme

Respect for the Memory of Secretary Raw lins in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 7, 1869. Flags are displayed here at half-mast in many claces to-day m respect to the memory of Secretary

ALEXANDRIA, September 7, 1860.

The City Council to-night passed resolutions of respect to the memory of General Rawilns, and re-solved to attend his funeral.

Departure of Troops from Fortress Monroe

to Attend the Funeral.
FORTROSS MONROE, Sept. 7, 1869. Major General Wm. F. Barry, General Morgan and Colonel Henry W. Janes, with two companies of artillery, left Fortress Monroe to-night for Washington to attend the funeral of General Rawlins, late Secretary of War.

Meeting at the Sub-Trensury Yesterday Afternoon—Substantial Sympathy for the Pamily of General Rawlins. Pursuant to a call issued by Major General Daniel

Butterfield, Assistant Treasurer of the United States, Treasury yesterday afternoon, at a quarter past three o'clock, for the purpose of passing suitable resolutions, expressive of the sympathy of the people of this city with the family of the distinguished soldier and statesman who in devotion to his duty as secretary of War laid down his life for his country. Owing to the short afforded the attendance was not as large as it otherwise would have been, but those who were present were proper representatives of the wealth and in

The meeting was organized by Mr. A. T. S tewart Butterfield appointed Secretary.

Mr. Horace Greeley stated the object of the meeting, and in doing sommade appropriate allusion to the eminent services of General Rawlins. He called attention to the fact that he had left his family almost entirely without means, and gave expression to the hope which he felt assured was shared by all present and
the general public, that such measures would be
taken by the meeting as would result in the subscription of a fund for the benefit of the widow and
family of the distinguished Secretary, equal to their
necessities, Letters from the following named
gentlemen, expressing their regret at being unable
to attend the meeting, and piedging themselves to
further the object initiated by General Butterfield,
were then read:—Benjamin G. Arnoid, Lees &
Waller, Howard, Potter, Brown Brothers & Co.,
maittand, Pheips & Co., David Dows, Pheips, Dodge
& Co., John E. Williams, Legrand Lockwood, John
Cisco, Thomas Lord, E. D. Morgan, William C.
Bryant, John Elgelow, C. R. Roberts, Wnitam
H. Aspinwail, and a number of others.

Messrs, Horace Greeley, H. B. Claffin and R. C.
McCormick were appointed a committee to draft
resolutions expressive of the sense of the meeting in
relation to the death of General Rawlins, and to request such notice from the city authorities as the
case may demand.

On motion of General Butterfield a committee, which he felt assured was shared by all present and

don of General Butterfield a committee, of Horace Greeiey, J. Seligman. O. D. B. On mo

consisting of Horace Greeiey, J. Seiigman, O. D. F. Grant, George Opolye, Moses H. Grinnell and General Butterfield were appointed a committee to raise a fund of \$50,000 for the relief of the family.
While Mr. Greeier was writing the resolutions General Butterspieche was writing the resolutions General Butterspieche and said that he had just received the following despatch from the President, which he would read to the meeting:—

General Butterpield, Assistant Treasurer, New York:

The President subscribes \$1,000 for General Rawling family:

HORACE PORTER, Secretary. Mr. A. T. Stewart then subscribed his name on the subscription list, and other gentiemen present fol-lowed, in the following order:—

General Butterfield has issued the following General Butterfield has issued the following notice:

"Thursday next being the gay set apart for the funeral obsequies of the late Major General John A. Rawims, Secretary of War, the Treasury will be closed. The flags will be carried at hall mast until after the funeral. The purchase of bonds advertised for Thursday, at twelve o'clock, will be made on the day following."

The flags on the Sub-Treasury, the Custom House, the City Hall and other public as well as private buildings, and the shipping in the harbor were displayed at half mask.

General Sherman to be Acting Secretary of WarsUntil the Vacancy Shall be Filled.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7, 1869. No order has yet been made naming a Secretary of War ad interim, but from what the President said last night it is probable that General Sherman will be appointed so to act until the vacancy in the Cabi-

net shall be filled. THE GERMAN HOSPITAL.

Meeting of the Ludies' Ald Society. The German Hospital, on Seventy-seventh street and Fourth avenue, will be opened on Monday next, the 13th mst., three years after the building commenced. The hospital, the erection of which has cost about \$200,000, contains two large wards, with eighty beds, several smaller rooms for patients, and all the other localities necessary for a good and com-

A German ladies ald society has been active for a number of years in assisting to raise the funds nessary for the erection and future maintenance of the hospital. In consequence of a call by Mrs. Adde Erbe, the secretary of that society, a meeting was held at the Steuben House, in the Bowery, yesterday atternoon, Mrs. Christina Friedrich presiding. Mrs. Frederika Koehler, the treasurer of the society, reported that the funds raised by the Ladies' Society for hospital purposes amounted now in all to \$31,866. It was stated that Dr. Ernest Krackowitzer, the medical director of the hospital, desired the smaller rooms for patients to be fully furnished—the larger ones being already fixed our—with bedding, lines, &c., and it was resolved by the meeting to do so and to have all things ready in time for the opening of the hospital next Monday.